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Legislative

Extension of the lifetime of the present Council.

915 Q.—Mr. S. SATYAMURTI : Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) whether there is any proposal pending before the Government for the extension of the life of the present Council ;

(b) if so, for what period ; and

(c) the reasons for the proposed extension ?

A.—(a), (b) & (c) The answer to clause (a) is in the negative.

Mr. S. SATYAMURTI :—"Since the answer was sent to the Legislative Council office, has there been any proposal placed before the Government on this matter ?"

The hon. Sir NORMAN MARJORIBANKS :—"Not that I am aware of."

Loans

Repayment of a loan given to Mr. Sindval Lingappa for sinking a well.

*916 Q.—Mr. A. RANGANATHA MUDALIYAR : Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) whether Sindval Lingappa obtained a loan under the Land Improvement Loans Act about fasli 1332 for sinking a well and if so, how much and when it was disbursed ;

(b) the number of instalments fixed for the repayment of the loan and the amount of each instalment ;

(c) the date fixed for the repayment of the first instalment of the loan ;

(d) whether the well was twice built and as often fell down ;

(e) whether any reports were made by any officer while the work was in progress and if so, the purport of such reports ;

(f) how often default was made in payment of the instalment ;

(g) the steps taken to get the instalments due ;

(h) whether the borrower had to sell all his property to repay a part or whole of the Government loan, and if only a part has been repaid the amount still due to the Government from the borrower towards (1) principal, (2) interest, (3) penal interest ; and

(i) the total amount paid by the borrower till now towards principal, interest and penal interest respectively ?

A.—(a) to (i) The Government have no information regarding the details of the individual case referred to in the question.

Recovery of the loan given to Mr. Vital Rao under the Agriculturists Loans Act.

*917 Q.—Mr. A. RANGANATHA MUDALIYAR : Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) whether Vital Rao of Hathi Balagal, Alur taluk, Bellary district, was given a loan of Rs. 150 for the purchase of fodder under the Agriculturists Loans Act in fasli 1331, and if so, the number of cattle for which the fodder was meant to be purchased ;

(*b*) the number of cattle the borrower has at present, and if the number is less, whether the decrease is due to the outbreak of any epidemic of cattle disease in the village;

(*c*) whether any sum either towards the principal or interest has been recovered from him, and if so, how much;

(*d*) whether any, and if so, what steps have been taken to realize the arrears due by him; and

(*e*) whether the balance of arrears still due by him, if any, has been ordered to be written off, and, if so, how much?

A.—(*a*) *to* (*e*) The Government have no information regarding the details asked for in this individual case. A report has been called for

Levy of penal interest on takkavi loans in South Arcot district.

* 918 *Q.*—Mr. R. Srinivasa Ayyangar: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of cases in 1925–26, 1926–27 and 1927–28 in the district of South Arcot where penal interest was levied under the Takkavi Loans Act for arrears of takkavi instalments that were due;

(*b*) what was the amount of arrears due in each of such cases and what was the amount of penal interest levied in each of such cases; and

(*c*) whether extensions for payment were applied for, and, if so, the amount covered by them and the amounts in respect of which extensions were actually granted in the said period of three years?

A.—(*a*), (*b*) & (*c*) The Government have not the information; nor is there any report or return from which it could be compiled. It would have to be specially gathered from the individual accounts in the Collectorate.

Mines

Revenue from the quarry near Namakkal village, Alur taluk.

* 919 *Q.*—Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar: Will the hon the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether there is a quarry for stones at or near Namakkal village in Alur taluk of Bellary district;

(*b*) the procedure that has to be followed by people who may require to get stones from that quarry; and

(*c*) the revenue derived by the Government from the quarry in each of the last three years?

A.—(*a*) *to* (*c*) The Government have no information but have called for a report.